

ABOUT THE STATE

HAPPENINGS OF INTEREST FROM DIFFERENT SECTIONS

Merrill Riddon of Cuttingville had the misfortune to lose four head of cattle in five days last week from feeding green oats and punice.

Foxes are so tame in Acuteville that one chased a cat through a doorway into the garden one night recently. They are shy of traps and few of them have been caught.

The body of James Bragg, employed as carding overseer in the Ottawaquogue mill at Everts, was found near the Central Vermont railway tracks at Everts Monday. No marks were found on his body, and the cause of death is given as exposure.

Max Alpert of Burlington, a merchant, yesterday filed a petition for bankruptcy in the office of the clerk of F. S. Platt of the United States court. He gives his liabilities as \$708.50 and his assets as \$404, claiming that \$130 is exempt.

Sixty-three cars, containing 23,783 Christmas trees, have just been shipped from stations between Chester and Rutland by LeBar & Son, the Pennsylvania contractors, and W. J. Darcy of Ludlow. W. J. Phelan, another dealer in Christmas trees, has sent from Ludlow and nearby stations 76 carloads, estimated to contain 91,000 trees.

The Marble Savings bank of Rutland, has begun the distribution of 1,000 Christmas checks aggregating \$30,000 and representing the savings of the members of the Thrift club, an organization of depositors formed for the purpose of securing to its members a fund for the perennial Christmas expenditures. The Clement National bank, which originated the Christmas idea in Rutland, issued checks several days ago for \$50,386.10, the amount deposited by the 1,770 members of the club.

State Boys' Conference.

The sixth annual conference of older boys of Vermont will be held at Rutland, January 14-16. It will begin with the supper session on Friday evening. Saturday will be filled with addresses, group conferences, recreational period, and an attractive evening program. On Sunday morning the conference speakers will give addresses at the church services. In the afternoon there will be a decision meeting for boys, and the closing will be a union meeting in the evening.

The people of Rutland kindly offer free entertainment in their homes to the delegates, who must be boys who have passed their fifteenth birthday. Delegates are included from all the churches, Sunday schools, Y. M. C. A.'s, boy scouts, high and preparatory schools, clubs, and similar organizations, but the delegates should be boys who would be interested in a conference of this kind, whose main purpose is instruction and inspiration for Christian life and work by boys.

The conferences of the past five years have been attended by over 1,000 of the leading older boys of the state and a great number of them are now doing splendid work in their homes, churches,

schools and other places, because of the help the conferences have been to them. The singing will be led by Rev. J. Harrison Thompson of Randolph, and there will be other special musical features.

The speakers include some of the best known men in the United States, men who know boys and how to talk to them and who are always helping and inspiring them. Among them are Albert D. Roberts, dean of the county department, international committee Y. M. C. A.; George J. Fisher, M. D., dean of the physical department, international committee Y. M. C. A.; Jared Van Wagenen, Jr., of the New York department of agriculture; James E. West, chief scout executive in the United States; Governor Charles W. Gates; and others to be announced later.

DISEASE PREVENTION.

Is of Great Economic Importance, Say U. S. Public Health Service.

The annual report of the surgeon general of the United States public health service records the largest amount of work performed in the history of that organization. Since the passage of the law of 1912 the public health functions of the service have materially broadened, thereby increasing greatly its usefulness to the American people. Throughout the report the economic importance of disease prevention is made apparent to the reader.

Perhaps the most important achievement of the year was the discovery that pellagra is a deprivation disease, resulting from a faulty diet containing an excess of carbohydrates. While the final experiments which led to this discovery have only recently been completed, the conclusion itself is the culmination of investigations extending over a period of seven years. The work has consisted of epidemiological field studies, actual feeding experiments conducted at numerous places in Georgia and Mississippi, and experimental research at Spartanburg, S. C., and other places.

A new national quarantine station was opened at Galveston, Tex., and the control of the Boston station was transferred to the public health service. A great reduction in immigration has been observed during the year, with a corresponding increase in the number of aliens certified. At the port of New York, the percentage has risen from 22.9, previous to the development of the European conflict, to 53.7 since that time; this increase largely being due to the fact that with the decreased immigration more time can be devoted to the examination. The number of cases treated at marine hospitals and relief stations exceeded 55,000, 15,000 of which were hospital patients, a considerable increase over previous years. The coast guard cutter "Androsoggin" was fitted out as a hospital ship and now affords relief to deep sea fishermen on the banks of Newfoundland.

On the occurrence of plague at New Orleans, the state and local health authorities requested the public health service to take charge of the situation. Extensive rat-proofing and other anti-plague measures were undertaken, resulting in the eradication of the disease from among human beings, and the practical extermination of the rodent infection.

Great reduction in the incidence of malaria was obtained in localities where surveys were conducted. Drainage projects, rice culture studies and the conditions surrounding the impounding of water for power purposes were investigated in order to eradicate as far as possible the disease in these areas. Scientific investigations of malaria infection showed that in the latitude of this country the most important agent in carrying the infection through the winter season is man, and not the infected hibernating Anopheles mosquitoes as was previously supposed. From the standpoint of prevention this is a discovery of considerable value.

Studies of occupational diseases and industrial hygiene were instituted at several places during the year. A survey of the industries of Cincinnati was made to determine the cause of the prevalence of tuberculosis among industrial workers. The investigations relating to the migration of persons suffering from tuberculosis were completed.

Upon the request of the health authorities of five states, the organization and operations of the respective boards of health were studied and recommendations advanced for improvement in the powers and duties of these bodies. The health organizations of several cities were likewise investigated.

Investigations of the pollution of streams and the examination of shellfish were also conducted. Trachoma was combated in the Appalachian mountains, where it is most prevalent, over 12,000 cases being treated. Surveys in certain states during the year showed that the disease is not an uncommon infection.

Rural sanitation work was conducted in six different states and everywhere resulted in the reduction of typhoid and other communicable diseases.

Public health laboratories for the prevention of the interstate spread of disease were established at Chicago, Seattle, and numerous other railway centers.

Additional duties have been imposed upon the service by extension of relief benefits to the newly organized coast guard and the physical examination of seamen applying for the rating of "able seamen." For this reason, and because of the greatly increased health functions of the service, an increase in the commissioned personnel is recommended. An additional building for the hygiene laboratory and the establishment of a national leprosyarium for the proper segregation and care of cases of leprosy are also recommended.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury

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Auction Sale at the City Auction Market

SATURDAY, DEC. 18 at 2 and 7 p. m.

A variety of goods will be sold, including many articles that are desirable for Christmas gifts; 100 pictures and mirrors, all new; some new rugs, 1 good organ, dressers, commodores, rockers, chairs, 1 good extension table, 1 fine rifle, cost \$12.50 this season; watches, clocks, revolvers, stoves and ranges.

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ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the People's National Bank of Barre will be held at its banking rooms Tuesday, January 11, 1916, at 10 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of electing directors for the year ensuing and the transaction of any other business which may properly come before said meeting.

Dated, Barre, Vt., Dec. 11, 1915.

W. C. JOHNSON, JR., Cashier.

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Granite Mutual Insurance Co. of Barre, Vt., will be held at the home office of said company, in the city of Barre, Vt., on Tuesday, January 4, 1916, at 10 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of electing directors for the year ensuing and the transaction of any other business which may properly come before said meeting.

Dated, Barre, Vt., Dec. 11, 1915.

R. G. ROBINSON, Secretary.

ANNUAL MEETING

The stockholders of the Barre Savings Bank & Trust Company are hereby notified that their annual meeting for the election of directors and the transaction of any other business that may legally come before them, will be held at their banking rooms on Tuesday, the 11th day of January next, at 2 o'clock p. m.

MARY J. WELCH, Secretary.

Barre, Vt., Dec. 13, 1915.

VALUABLE RESIDENCE

As I expect to leave the city on or about February 1, the residence at No. 51 Hill street, now occupied by me, is offered for sale. In many particulars this is one of the best homes in the city: 9 rooms, finished in ash, birch, maple and white enamel; fire place; a nice heating system—Ideal steam heating plant, made by the American Radiator company, with automatic draft arrangement. The cellar is nicely cemented, and the foundation is as good as can be. Porch on front and side and sleeping porch on side. The general condition is very good. Garage.

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NOTICE

Whereas, a petition has been presented to the undersigned, reading as follows: To Guy W. Bailey, Secretary of State, and Walter F. Scott, State Treasurer, ex-officio.

We, the undersigned, being desirous of forming a mutual fire insurance company according to the provisions of No. 158 of the acts of 1915, for the purpose of conducting the business of insurance against the destruction of property by fire, and believing that the establishment and maintenance of such a company would promote the general good of the state, hereby respectfully petition you to appoint a time and place for a hearing on this petition, in the county of Washington, in the state of Vermont, on the 20th day of November, A. D. 1915.

Postoffice address: Montpelier, Vt. H. J. MARION, Barre, Vt. ALEX. DUNCAN, Barre, Vt. GEORGE STRATTON, Barre, Vt. WM. BARCLAY, Barre, Vt. J. B. MANNING, Barre, Vt. GEORGE ROBINSON, Barre, Vt. GEO. ROY, Barre, Vt. STEPHAN RIZZ, Barre, Vt. C. W. McILLAN, Barre, Vt. JOSEPH G. CALAGNI, Barre, Vt. ANDREW BARCLAY, Barre, Vt. A. H. BURKE, Barre, Vt. J. YOUNG, Barre, Vt.

Therefore, agreeably to the provisions of section 1 of No. 158 of the acts of 1915, we hereby do hereby petition the state, to determine whether the establishment and maintenance of the proposed corporation will promote the general good of the state, will be held January 6, 1916, at 10 o'clock a. m. at the office of the Granite Manufacturers' association, 82½ Main street, Barre, Vt. Dated at Montpelier, Vt., this first day of December, A. D. 1915.

GUY W. BAILEY, Secretary of State.

WALTER F. SCOTT, State Treasurer.

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